GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2047
ANSWERED ON:29.07.2002
UTILIZATION OF FUNDS EARNED THROUGH DIVERSION OF FOREST LAND
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government ask the concerned departments to deposit certain estimated amount to grow trees in lieu of permission granted to them for utilization of forest land or for executing any other developmental activities under Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980;

(b) if so, the details of such amount deposited with the Government during each of the last three years, State-wise;

(c) whether the respective State forest Departments particularly Himachal Pradesh Forest Department have utilized such amountin compliance with the spirit of the Act;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether the National Hydroelectric Power Corporation haspaid rupees 86 lakh for the great Himalayan National Parkto compensate the loss of forests and environment and in lieu of the land required for Parvati Hydel Power Project; and

(f) if so, the manner in which the above money has been utilized ?

Answer

MINISTER OF ENVIRONEMNT AND FORESTS (SHRI T.R.BAALU)

(a) Yes, Sir,

(b) The details are given at Annexure-I

(c) & (d) Himachal Pradesh Forest Department hasutilized Rs. 881.51 lakhs out of the Rs.1089.95 lakhs deposited by user agencies during last three years for compensatory afforestation. Utilization of the fund by various States / Union Territories is not satisfactory since required funds have not been released to Forest Department. State-wise position of utilization is given in Annexure-II.

(e) & (f) Against Parvati Stage-IINational Hydroelectric Project, National Hydro Power Corporationhas deposited Rs.1.00 crore for Great Himalayan National Park at Kallu. The position of utilization of the amount upto 31.3.2002 is as under:-

Physical	Financial
Conservation of Flora & Fauna at Great Himalayan National Park-Ex-situ	36.26 lakh
Conservation of endangered species at GHNP	33.74 lakh
Consultancy charge of the wildlife Institute of India for preparation of plans.	30.00 lakh
Total	Rs.100.00 lakh

Annexure-I

Annexure referred to in reply to part (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2047 for answer on 29-07-2002

(Rs. In lakhs)

Amount deposited by user agencies for compensatory afforestation

S.No	Name of State/Uts	99-2000	2000-01	2001-2002
1	Andhra Pradesh	258.00	568.00	2453.00
2	Arunachal Pradesh	54.00	486.00	747.00
3	Assam	0.00	187.00	0.00
4	Bihar	0.00	0.00	2.00
5	Goa	144.00	86.00	114.00
6	Gujarat	973.00	2170.00	1002.00
7	Haryana	116.00	262.00	0.00
8	Himachal Pradesh	358.34	138.58	593.03
9	Jammu & Kashmir	0.00	0.00	0.00
10	Karnataka	1064.00	650.00	227.00
11	Kerala	4095.00	376.00	1505.00
12	Madhya Pradesh	0.00	0.00	0.00
13	Maharashtra	0.00	0.00	1092.00
14	Manipur	0.05	0.00	0.00
15	Meghalaya	0.00	1.00	0.00
16	Mizoram	0.00	422.00	0.00
17	Orissa	303.00	228.00	615.00
18	Punjab	1039.00	260.00	329.00
19	Rajasthan	539.00	75.00	497.00
20	Sikkim	255.00	0.00	357.00
21	Tamilnadu	0.00	110.00	133.00
22	Tripura	0.00	22.00	49.00
23	Uttar Pradesh	0.00	0.00	0.00
24	Uttaranchal	0.00	0.00	3229.00
24	West Bengal	177.00	0.00	407.00
25	A&N Island	0.00	0.00	15.00
26	D&N Haveli	0.00	102.00	0.00
	Total	9375.39	6143.58	13366.03

Annexure-II

Annexure referred to in reply to part (c) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 2047 for answer on 29-07-2002

Statewise position of utilization of funds deposited by user agency for copmensatory afforestation against diversion of forest land

(Rs. In lakhs)

S.No	Name of State/Uts	Funds to be realised from user agency	Funds realised actually	Money spent	Percentage of realised money spent
1	Andhra Pradesh	7034	7165	3421	47.74
2	Arunachal Pradesh	1156	897	230	26.64
3	Assam	566	566	136	24.02
4	Bihar	175	38	3	7.89
5	Goa	367	365	261	71.5
6	Gujarat	10034	9679	7119	73.55
7	Haryana	939	820	134	16.34
8	Himachal Pradesh	1960	1875	1046	55.78
9	Jammu & Kashmir	954	90	0	0
10	Karnataka	5346	5248	4691	89.38
11	Kerala	11623	6077	5287	87
12	Madhya Pradesh	7045	6106	2100	34.39
13	Maharashtra	16452	12918	8223	63.66
14	Manipur	0.05	0.05	0	0
15	Meghalaya	96	0	0	
16	Mizoram	1338	607	267	43.99
17	Orissa	4130	3853	1296	33.63
18	Punjab	1820	1703	1018	59.77
19	Rajasthan	2269	1994	750	37.61

20	Sikkim	612	612	342	55.88
21	Tamilnadu	528	482	103	21.36
22	Tripura	177	177	33	18.64
23	Uttar Pradesh	2091	1723	928	53.85
24	Uttaranchal	3308	3229	1158	35.86
25	West Bengal	744	739	554	74.96
26	A&N Island	90	84	15	17.85
27	D&N Haveli	118	102	0	0
	Total	80972.05	67149	39115	